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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk and Executive Director
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

**RE: Petition of Duke Energy Progress, LLC or an Expedited Decision and Issuance of a Declaratory Order that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Relocation of Four 230kV Lines at H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant is Not Required
Docket Number: 2020-157-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to Order No. 2020-498 in the above-referenced docket, Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or "the Company") hereby provides the Commission with clarification related to notification to third-party land owners whose property could potentially be affected by the proposed relocation of the four 230kV lines at the H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant. DEP addresses the Commission's questions as follows:

1. Will any third-party property owners have trees removed, or their property otherwise affected, by the proposed line relocation?

No. No trees will be removed on third-party property or property otherwise affected by actions proposed in the Petition. For the two properties in question, the property line of Parcel 13 is 70ft off of the edge of the right of way, for Parcel 14, the property line is 36ft off of the edge of the right of way.

2. If there are any third-party property owners affected, even by the proposed new tree line, have those property owners been approached or notified of the proposed change to the tree line on their property?

No third-party property owners will be affected, even by the proposed new tree line. However, the Company has contacted the adjoining property owners to ensure they are aware

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of the work being done. Specifically, representatives of the Company spoke with the owners of Parcels 14 and 15 on July 27, 2020 and provided information regarding the need to move the four transmission lines, the timeline of the construction, and the work that will occur on plant property. Although neither property owner had questions at the time of the call, the Company provided contact information for its representative in the event they would like additional information at a later date. After a few attempts, on July 28, 2020, the Company was able to speak with the owner of Parcel 13 and provided him with information regarding the relocation of the transmission lines and similar information.

Further, on July 29, 2020, DEP mailed written communication to the neighbors in the area as well as the referenced property owners notifying them of the relocation of the transmission lines and the timeline for completion. A copy of the written communication is attached as Exhibit A.

For further clarification to the Commission, for Parcel 13, none of the property falls within NERC requirements for obtaining tree-related property rights, such as easements. For Parcel 14, the edge of the property line is closer, but still not so close that it triggers obtaining any property rights. Moreover, the largest tree in the tree line for Parcel 14 is not tall enough to trigger any further action.

The Company hopes this addresses the Commission's concern. DEP respectfully requests approval of the relief requested in this docket.

Sincerely,



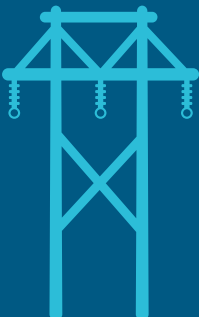
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Attachment

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Robinson Plant Coal Ash Project Update

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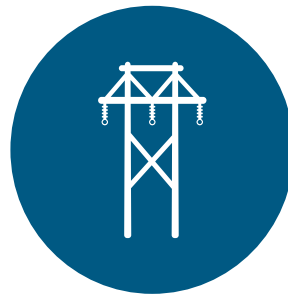
Duke Energy is committed to closing coal ash basins in ways that put safety first, protect the environment and minimize impacts to communities. At the Robinson Plant, coal ash continues to be safely relocated to a fully lined, dedicated landfill on plant property.

To support the ash removal, sections of four transmission lines crossing the work area will be relocated on the Robinson Plant property. Two lines will move farther inside the plant property and two will move closer to the property line.

Moving these large transmission structures and lines will require the use of heavy equipment, so you may notice an increase in activity beginning this summer. The transmission line relocations will be completed by the fall of 2021, and the ash removal project is expected to be completed by December 2024.

Please be assured that we will continue taking the necessary steps to minimize impacts of this long-term work on our neighbors and the community. We will do our best to work Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

We appreciate your continued support and patience. If you have any questions, please call 866.297.5886 or contact CarolinasEast@duke-energy.com and reference the **Robinson Plant project**.



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Reference: Robinson Plant Project



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